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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the section beginning at page 5, line 20 and page 6, line 1 with the following:

The D stereoisomer of pyroglutamic acid is also known by the following names: D-Proline, 5-oxo- (+)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, (+)-Pyroglutamic acid, (R)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, 5-Oxo-D-proline, D-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, D-Pyroglutamic acid, D-Pyrrolidinonecarboxylic acid, and D-Pyrrolidonecarboxylic acid.

The L stereoisomer of pyroglutamic acid is also known by the following names: L-Proline, 5-oxo- (-)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, (-)-Pyroglutamic acid, (5S)-2-Oxopyrrolidine-5-carboxylic acid, (S)-(-)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, (S)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, (S)-5-Oxo-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid, (S)-Pyroglutamic acid, 2-L-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, 2-Pyrrolidinone-5-carboxylic acid, 5-Carboxy-2-pyrrolidinone, 5-Oxo-L-proline, 5-Oxoproline, 5-Pyrrolidinone-2-carboxylic acid, Glutimic acid, Glutiminic acid, L-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, L-5-Carboxy-2-pyrrolidinone, L-5-Oxo-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid, L-5-Oxoproline, L-Glutamic acid, .gamma.-lactam, L-Glutimic acid, L-Glutiminic acid, L-Pyroglutamic acid, L-Pyrrolidinonecarboxylic acid, L-Pyrrolidonecarboxylic acid, Oxoproline, PCA, Pidolic acid, Pyroglutamic acid, Pyrrolidinonecarboxylic acid, Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, and Pyrrolidonecarboxylic acid.

The DL form of pyroglutamic acid (a mixture of the D and L stereoisomers) is known by the following names: DL-Proline, 5-oxo-(+,-)-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, (+,-)-Pyroglutamic acid, 5-Oxo-DL-proline, DL-2-Pyrrolidinone-5-carboxylic acid, DL-2-Pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, DL-Pyroglutamate, DL-Pyroglutamic acid, DL-Pyrrolidonecarboxylic acid, and Oxoproline. The DL form is also commercially available from Ajinomoto under the tradename Ajidew A 100 and Ajidew N 50 (Na-PCA).